

RUSSIA MAKES READY FOR A SECOND WAR

Returning Ship Brings News
of Half Million Troops in
Siberia at Present.

FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND
ARE AT VLADIVOSTOK

Also Tells of Rich Gold Strike
Made By Russians in
Province of Mongolia.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 15.—Russia is massing an army in Siberia, four or five barracks are being built, extensive fortifications made and speculations as to a second war with Japan is a common topic of conversation among Russian military men," said R. D. Denbigh, a Russian who returned from Siberia and Mongolia by the steamer Kaga Maru today.

"I was told that there were at least 500,000 troops in Siberia," said Denbigh. "Troops are quartered everywhere. That number from four to five times as great as before the war. At Vladivostok, before I left, a review of 55,000 troops was held and not one man was taken from the fortifications."

Denbigh also brought news of a rich gold discovery made by Russians in Mongolia, about fifty or sixty miles distant from Kisk Ta, the big walled city which has been for centuries one of the stopping places of tea caravans from China. An average of twenty pounds of gold is being washed from the river banks with rockers, daily.

COPPER METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Standard copper weak locally, September and October closing 12.35@12.50; November 12.50@12.65; December, 12.45@12.60. London firm and shade higher. Spot 58 1/2 @ 64 futures.

Local lake copper, 13.00@13.25; electrolytic 12.75@13.00; casting 12.62 @12.87. Lead steady 4.30@4.37 New York; 4.20@4.25 east of St. Louis. London unchanged 12 1/2 @ 9d. Spelter quiet locally; spot around 5.70@5.75; New York 5.50@5.62 St. Louis.

DETECTIVE SHOTS GIRL WHEN CHASED

ATLANTIC CITY, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Miss Rose Stewart, aged 23, a waitress at the Chalfont hotel, was the innocent victim tonight of the warfare between the local police and the squad of detectives brought here from Newark by prosecutor Goldberg to aid him in wiping out dens of various types.

A bullet from a detective's revolver, fired over the head of a wildly excited mob which had chased the detectives from the tendorium district to their hotel on South Carolina avenue, penetrated the young woman's back as she sat on the second story porch of the Cedar Croft hotel. It is feared she will die.

THE GOVERNMENT DECIDES NOT TO PUNISH

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 15.—The federal department of justice has announced that it will not prosecute officials of the Pressed Steel Car company on the postage charges.

Commissioner Charles R. Neill of the department of commerce and labor is conducting an investigation, however, to ascertain whether any of the nation's laws have been violated. It is not thought that any prosecutions will follow this investigation, but some action may be taken by the state authorities.

The postage charges grew out of the alleged forcible detention of the strike-breakers in the company's plant during the strike after they had been decoyed to the plant under false pretenses.

Mrs. Catherine Clow Gives up Good Name to Secure Divorce From Husband



CHINESE WOULD INTEREST ALL POWERS

VICTORIA, Sept. 15.—Advices received by the steamship Kaga Maru today state that Yuan Shih Kai, deposed some months ago and now living quietly at his home at Honai, may be recalled to power. The Peking correspondent of the Mail and Empire says that Prince Chun, the regent, is contemplating the appointment of Yuan Shih Kai to be viceroy of Manchuria, advocating that China declare all Manchuria open to foreign trade, thereby making the preservation of the three eastern provinces an object to all powers thus checking any aggressive movement by Japan or Russia.

DIAZ WAS EIGHTY YEARS OF AGE YESTERDAY

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 15.—Gen. Porfirio Diaz, president of Mexico, celebrated his eightieth birthday today. He received greetings from many foreign countries. The diplomatic corps and regular body were early at the palace. United States Ambassador Thompson and Consul General Drier of Sweden, congratulated the president. General Diaz is in splendid health, and feelingly answered their salutations.

A body of workmen were present. Their enthusiasm moved the president and expressed the hope that Diaz might yet rule Mexico for many years to come. Diaz has occupied his office for thirty-two years. He has been renominated for the term commencing in 1910 and ending six years later.

NEW CLERMONT BEATS THE ORIGINAL ONE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—With plain cord wood as fuel, the wall-sided scow shaped stove piped funnelled craft in which Robert Fulton first navigated waters of the Hudson river under steam propulsion 102 years ago, came to life again today when the reconstructed Clermont, built for the Hudson-Fulton celebration, had her official trial trip.

The distance was six miles and the elapsed time an hour and four minutes. The best record of the Clermont of 1807 was five miles an hour.

MRS. RUSSELL SAGE WILL DONATE HALF A MILLION

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 15.—At the annual session of the Northwest Indiana Methodist conference here today it was announced that Mrs. Russell Sage will donate \$500,000 to the church for use in spreading the Bible throughout the world, provided the church raises a like amount by January, 1910. The work of distribution is to be conducted by the American Bible society.

FLAMES DESTROY A BIG FLOUR MILL

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 15.—Fire destroyed today the grinding mill and elevator of the Portland Flouring mills and the flour and feed in the warehouse was heavily damaged by water. The loss will be about \$400,000, with insurance covering about half of that amount. Several firemen and volunteers were slightly burned.

COMING MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 15.—Frederick Fairchild of this city, tonight announced the coming marriage of his niece, Mrs. Frederick MacMonnies to Will H. Lowe, the artist.

ENLISTMENT FOR THE ARMY IS FALLING OFF

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, September 14.—(Special.)—Difficulty is experienced by the recruiting officers keeping the arm of Uncle Sam in full strength and President Taft's instructions to keep the army with the \$9,000 mark appears from the recruiting sergeant's point of view considerably a little superfluous. At the present time the number of enlistments is considerably lower than that of discharges, accidents necessitating retirement and deaths. This is said to be due to the fact that the country's industrial activity has resumed full proportions.

During the last two years recruiting for the United States army and navy has been an easier task than it had been for many years. The reduction of factory forces, due to the panic, being the cause of this.

CHICAGO POLICE WILL GUARD MR. TAFT

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—In anticipation of a great influx of visitors on the occasion of President Taft's visit to Chicago tomorrow, Chief of Detectives Wood has freed the city of police characters generally.

Every minute of the president's stay here has been mapped out, and the Chief of Police Steward has arranged for the closest police guard. The chief has scouted over every foot of ground which the president will cover from the moment he steps from the Lake Shore train at Fifty-fifth street at 11:15 A. M. until he departs at 12:45 Friday for Milwaukee.

The president is expected to speak informally at a luncheon given him by the Commercial club and at Orchestra hall in the evening.

PEARY'S AIDE TALKS OF THE NORTHERN TRIP

Hoisted Stars and Stripes
Twice at the Top of
the Earth.

ESKIMOS GAVE CHEER IN NATIVE TONGUE

Arrived at Pole Before Noon,
April 6, With a Party
of Six Men.

BATTLE HARBOR, Sept. 15.—(By wireless, via Cape Roy.)—"We hoisted the stars and stripes twice at the north pole," said Matthew Henson, Peary's negro lieutenant and the only other civilized man, according to Peary, who ever reached the pole. Henson then gave to the Associated Press an account of the night and six days he and Peary and four eskimos camped at 90 degrees north latitude. Henson assisted in raising the American flag and he led the eskimos in cheers, an extra cheer for old Glory in the Eskimo tongue being given.

"We arrived at the pole before noon April 6th, the party consisting of the commander, myself, four Eskimos and thirty-six dogs, divided the two detachments equal in number and headed respectively by Peary and myself. We had left the last supporting party at 87 degrees, 53 minutes, where we separated from Captain Bartlett who was photographed by the commander. "Captain Bartlett regretted that he did not have a British flag to erect on the ice at this spot, so that the photograph might show this as the farthest north to which the banner of Great Britain had ever been advanced."

"I kept a personal diary during the dash across the ice field. Our first task on reaching the pole was to build two igloos, as the weather was hazy and prevented taking accurate observations to confirm the distance traveled from Cape Columbia. Having completed the snow houses we had dinner and then retired, sleeping one night at the north pole. The arctic sun was shining when I awoke and found the commander already up. There was only wind enough to blow out small flags. Ensigns were hoisted toward noon from the tent poles and tied with fish lines. We had fixed our tent the distance pretty close and did not go beyond the pole. The flags were raised about midday April 7, and were not moved until late that evening. The hazy had cleared away early but we wanted some hours to make observations. We made three close together. When the flag was placed Peary exclaimed in English: "We will plant the stars and stripes at the north pole." "In the native language I proposed three cheers, which were given in the Eskimos' own tongue. Peary shook hands all around and we had a more liberal dinner than usual, each man eating as much as he pleased; the Eskimos danced about and showed great pleasure that the pole at last was reached. For years the Eskimos had always been trying to reach the spot, but it was always with them, "Tiqueligh" which translated means "get so far and no closer." "We exclaimed in a chorus, "Tag neish timah ketisher," meaning "We have got there at last."

LOCAL DEMOCRATS PLAN ENTERTAINMENT

Local Democrats are moving in the matter of some form of entertainment upon the occasion of the visit of Hon. W. J. Bryan to this city on the evening of September 21.

With this purpose in view a meeting has been called for 10 o'clock this morning, at the office of Neale & Sutter, of all members of the county and city central committees resident at Lowell and Bisbee.

At this meeting an invitation will be sent to Mr. Bryan to be the guest of honor at a collared dinner to be given by local democrats immediately after his lecture at the opera house on Tuesday evening, next.

All members of the committee who can possibly attend and all democrats interested are requested to be present at the meeting this morning.

The plan of entertainment will be governed by the wishes of Mr. Bryan.

Miss Kate Barnard the New Okla- homa Commissioner of Charities



JEROME SAYS BOUT WOULD BE ILLEGAL

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—If a decision of District Attorney Jerome holds good there will be no bout between Ketchel and Langford at the Fairmount Athletic club here Friday night. Correspondence between the district attorney and Police Commissioner Baker was made public tonight. In it Jerome says: "I am of the opinion that to engage in a pugilistic or private sparring exhibition under such circumstances is a violation of the penal law."

HOUSE WORK IS CAUSE OF A MURDER

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Mrs. Jacob Silvers, formerly of New York, shot and killed Mrs. Julius Tripp of this city, her sister-in-law, and then committed suicide in the apartments of the former fashionable residence district today. The body of Mrs. Tripp was found with ten bullet wounds and one knife wound upon it. Mrs. Silvers died at the hospital tonight after confessing to the crime. The police were unable to get a full statement from Mrs. Silvers as she repeatedly became unconscious while being questioned and died before any details could be obtained. It is believed that the tragedy was caused by a quarrel over a division of household duties which occurred several days ago, according to Mr. Tripp.

THE PRESIDENT SCORES ON THE ACCUSER

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 15.—President exonerated Secretary Ballinger in the matter of new charges filed by L. R. Glavis, chief of the field division of the general land office in connection with the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska. In a statement given out today the president declares the Glavis case embraced only "shreds of suspicion without even circumstantial evidence."

Taft also granted Ballinger's request for authority to dismiss Glavis from the service of the government "for unjustly impeaching the official integrity of his superior officer," and takes occasion to review the evidence, in the so-called "Water Power Trust" and other cases, to refute the charges that the Secretary of the Interior is out of sympathy with the policy of the administration in favor of conservation of the natural resources of the country. The statement is in the form of a letter to Ballinger, and was written before Taft left his summer home at Beverly.

TUCSON MAYOR IS REQUESTED TO RESIGN

TUCSON, Sept. 15.—After unanimously adopting a resolution exonerating Nabor Pacheco of the charges of violation of city ordinances and neglect of duty, the city council at a special meeting today adopted a resolution requesting the resignation of Mayor Ben Heney. Heney is accused of bad faith in bringing the charges against Pacheco.

Heney refused to resign and impeachment proceedings are already talked of. Heney fell down badly in his attempt to prove the charges of his case, which savors of malice and local feeling is bitter on the matter. The six councilmen are now unanimous against Heney.

EIGHT KILLED IN A TENNESSEE TRAIN WRECK

NASHVILLE, Sept. 15.—Eight trainmen were killed and 15 passengers injured, two perhaps fatally, as the result of a collision between a passenger and a freight train this morning on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad at Pegram station about twenty miles west of here. In a fire that followed at least two mangled bodies were consumed and it is feared others which have not yet been found were burned.

Only the bodies of three were recovered. All the injured passengers are from North Carolina and Tennessee.

CONVENTION DELEGATES ARE GIVEN RECEPTION

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 15.—One hundred and fifty of the general council of Lutherans in convention here were given a reception at the Salem Lutheran church tonight. The evening was spent informally and was enjoyed greatly by all present. Light refreshments were served. Tomorrow afternoon a mass meeting will be the chief devotional service of the conference.

\$10,000 FOR AERIAL RACE.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 15.—The Aero club of St. Louis tonight announced a prize of \$10,000 for an aeroplane race here for the first week in October. Glenn H. Curtiss has accepted the club's offer of \$5,000 for three flights.

103 DEATHS FROM CHOLERA

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 15.—During the past week 236 cases of cholera and 106 deaths from the disease have been reported in the provinces of Tyer, Pultava, Norgored and the city of Riga.

PRESIDENT TAFT STARTS ON HIS LONG JOURNEY

Traversed New York and
Massachusetts Yesterday
—Chicago Today.

HUGHES AND TAFT FELICITATE EACH OTHER

Birthday of President Brings
Him Many Messages of
Congratulation.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 15.—After traversing today, the great states of Massachusetts and New York, President Taft tonight was skirting the southern shores of Lake Erie on his way to Chicago where he will arrive 11:30 a. m. tomorrow and make his first important stop on a 19,000 mile tour of the country. Whenever the train stopped today on its run from Boston, large crowds were at the railway stations and the president was greeted by enthusiastic cheering.

In Massachusetts, Taft spoke at Worcester, Springfield and Pittsfield. On entering New York, he was greeted at Albany by Governor Hughes and both made little talks to the depot throng, which cheered the federal and state executives with equal enthusiasm. Hughes became the president's guest on the run from Albany to Syracuse and had dinner with him on the car Mayflower. Taft was in rare good humor and seemed happy that the journey had begun. He said he believed the long trip will bring him into closer touch with the people than any other plan which could be devised. He said the more he could see of the country and people during his term of office, the better president he will make. Taft and Hughes (no pronounced admirers of each other and their meetings are always characterized by many exchanges of graceful and earnest compliments. Today Taft told of the splendid work Hughes had done for him and the Governor replied that the President could never call upon him in vain.

Today was the president's fifty-sixth birthday and he received many congratulations and messages of good will. The president set a precedent for the trip by electing to run on a slow schedule. The New York Central lines surrounded his train with every precaution for safety. Three men were always on the engine and a prominent representative of the traffic department was aboard from the start.

Vice President Sherman made a vain effort to see the president at Utica, Sherman's home city. It was not known that the vice president was at home or would be at the station. The train stopped about 30 seconds for orders. Sherman clambered aboard the rear end and was making his way towards the president's room when the conductor, not knowing that the vice president was aboard, gave the signal to go ahead. Sherman shouted that he was not able to go on to Syracuse and hopped off. He left behind a five pound box of candy as a birthday present.

AN AMBASSADOR BUYS CONTROL OF ROAD

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 15.—David L. Thompson, United States ambassador today obtained control of the Pan American railway, a line from San Germilino on the Tehuantepec National railway to Mariscal.

He did not make public the purchase price, but said he would have the controlling interest, having bought 9,800,000 worth of stock.

The line is 244 miles long. D. P. Doak is president, and J. M. Newland, of Los Angeles, vice president. Ambassador Thompson, because the line is of great strategic value to that it is the only feasible route for entrance into Central America. The road will be improved and Mr. Thompson will personally look after the property as soon as he retires from the diplomatic service.